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SUBJECT: AD ALLEGEDLY HAS UPPER IN LABOR UNION ELECTIONS

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1. INDUSTRY SOURCE TOLD EMBOFF SEP 29 THAT UNION LEADERS  
AFFILIATED WITH THE GOVERNING ACCION DEMOCRATICA (AD) PARTY

SHOULD EASILY WIN THE UNION ELECTIONS NOW SCHEDULED FOR OCT 26

IN THE GUZENA IRON MINING REGION. ALTHOUGH UNION ORGANIZERS  
OF OTHER PARTIES HAVE ALSO BEEN ACTIVE, AND COULD POSSIBLY EMERGE  
WITH 75 PERCENT OF THE LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN THE NEW INDUSTRY-WIDE  
UNION, SUTRAHIERRO. THE SOCIALIST PARTY, MAS, HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY  
ACTIVE AND HAS INVESTED LARGE SUMS IN PROPAGANDA BUT, ACCORDING  
TO SOURCE, DOES NOT ENJOY WIDE SUPPORT AMONG THE WORKERS. THE  
CTV LABOR CONFEDERATION HAS INSTALLED A TEAM IN GUYANA TO INSURE  
THAT THE ELECTIONS ARE CARRIED THROUGH WITHOUT DISRUPTION.

2. THE NEW INDUSTRY-WIDE IRON WORKERS UNION WILL REPLACE THE  
PRESENT SEVEN SMALL AUTONOMOUS UNIONS IN THE INDUSTRY. FOLLOWING  
TWO WORK STOPPAGES EARLIER THIS YEAR IN THE RECENTLY NATIONALIZED  
IRON MINES WHICH PROVED VERY EMBARRASSING TO THE GOV, THE CTV  
DETERMINED THAT ALL OF THE WORKERS IN THE INDUSTRY SHOULD BE  
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ORGANIZED IN A SINGLE UNION. SOURCE BELIEVES THAT MANY OF THE

AUTONOMOUS UNION LEADERS WILL BE ELECTED TO LEADERSHIP POSITIONS  
IN SUTRAHIERRO.

3. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE (REFTEL) MAS AND OTHER PARTIES ARE  
MAKING A STRONG EFFORT IN THESE ELECTIONS. THEIR FINAL RESULT  
MAY NOT BE THE ASSURED AD VICTORY FORESEEN BY THE INDUSTRY  
SOURCE WHOSE VIEWS MAY REFLECT A PRO-AD BIAS.  
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